Sri B. VITHALDAS SHETTY. Minister of State for Food and Civil Supplies).—

(*a*) The total shortage of foodgrains noticed during 1963-64 to 1968-69 is 7,970 tonnes. These shortages cannot be considered as a loss as they are due to natural causes such as driage, long storage, etc.

(*b*) Shortages usually occur due to driage, spillage, long storage and such other natural causes. Shortages also frequently occur in transit by road and rail. Each case of shortage is examined and action taken to fix up the responsibility. If the shortages occur due to negligence, or omission on the part of the officers/officials in charge of the godown, then action is taken against those responsible.

(*c*) The recovery of cost of the shortages does not arise in cases where the shortage falls within the permissible limits. But, where foodgrains are handled departmentally, and where personal responsibility is fixed for the shortages noticed, action is being taken to recover the value of the shortages from the persons found responsible.

(d) No. The losses are written off only in cases where personal responsibility for carelessness or negligence cannot be fixed or when the amount is found irrecoverable even after taking all the necessary steps to recover it.

(*e*) Only a sum of Rs. 13,840 has been written off so far.

(*f*) Yes. The total value of the shortages may be assessed at Rs. 46,93,441.

(*g*) Yes. Action is always taken to fix the responsibility wherever and whenever the circumstances indicate that carelessness or negligence on the part of the official in charge is involved.

(*h*) Yes. Government have full control over receipts and issues of foodgrains in the godowns. The system of weighment of stocks immediately on arrival has been introduced to fix up responsibilty for the shortages occurring during transit and subsequently. Annual stock verification on cent per cent weighment basis is also being conducted and close supervision over receipts and issues is provided at various levels.

DRINKING WATER WELLS IN SIDDLAGHATTA TALUK

119. Sri B. VENKATARAYAPPA (Siddlaghatta).—

Will the Minister for Development be pleased to State:—

(*a*) the number of villages in Siddlaghatta taluk, Kolar District and the number of villages to which Government have provided drinking water wells;

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(*b*) out of the drinking water wells so provided the number of wells with salt water and the number of wells without water;

(*c*) the programmes chalked out by Government during Gandhi Centenary year to provide water to villages where there is no drinking water?

Sri P. M. NADGOUDA.—(Minister for Development).—

(a) There are 239 villages. Government have provided drinking water wells to 231 villages.

(*b*) Salt water Wells .. 9.

Wells without water .. 8.

(*c*) There is a programme to provide at least a drinking water well to each of the villages without such wells in Gandhi Centenary year.

Requests to take up the Questions not reached

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಪಿ. ಗಂಗಾಧರ್ (ತುಮಕೂರು).—ನನ್ನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳು ಯಾವಾಗಲೂ ಕೊನೆಗೆ ಬರುತ್ತವೆ ಮತ್ತು ಕಾಲಾವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲದೆ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳು ಲ್ಯಾಪ್ಸ್ ಆಗುತ್ತವೆ. ಆದುದರಿಂದ ನನ್ನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I am sorry. I have no power. The other day I made a policy statement that I will not extend question hour. It is against parliamentary practice.

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ನಾಗಮ್ಮ.—ನನ್ನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಬಹಳ ಮಹತ್ವದ್ದಾಗಿದೆ. ಇಂದು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಬೇಳೆ ಇಲ್ಲವಾದರೆ ನಾಳೆಯಾದರೂ ನನ್ನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಹಾಗೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Statements furnished to certain questions and not appended to Replies

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಗೋಪಾಲಗೌಡ (ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ).—ನನ್ನ ಕ್ರಿಯಾಲೋಪ ದೊಡ್ಡದು ವಿವರವಾದದ್ದು ಏನಿಲ್ಲ. ಶ್ರೀಮಾನ್ ಎಚ್. ಎನ್. ನಂಜೇಗೌಡರು 78ನೇ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾ ಕಂದಾಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು (ಅ) ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ—ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಇಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಒಂದನೇ ತಃಖ್ತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಡಲಾಗಿದೆ (ಆ) ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಇಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಎರಡು ಮತ್ತು ಮೂರನೇ ತಃಖ್ತೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಡಲಾಗಿದೆ, (ಇ) ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಇಟ್ಟಿರುವ ನಾಲ್ಕನೇ ತಃಖ್ತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಡಲಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದು ನಂಜೇಗೌಡರಿಗೆ ಮಾತ್ರ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ವಿಷಯವಲ್ಲ. ಇಡೀ ದೇಶದ ಭೂ ಕಂದಾಯದ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ. ವಸೂಲು ಎಷ್ಟು ಆಗಿದೆ, ಎಷ್ಟು ಮನ್ನಾ ಆಗಿದೆ ಇದನ್ನು ನಾವೆಲ್ಲರೂ ತಿಳಿದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ರೆವಿನ್ಯೂ ಚೇರ್ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯದ ಮೇಲೆ ನನ್ನದೇನೂ ಆರೋಪ ಇಲ್ಲ. ತಃಖ್ತೆ ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಇಡುವಾಗ ಅದನ್ನು ಅಚ್ಚು ಹಾಕಿಸಿದರೆ ಅದು ಸಮಂಜಸವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಅಚ್ಚು ಹಾಕಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸರಕಾರಕ್ಕೇನೂ ಕಷ್ಟವಿಲ್ಲ. ಅಚ್ಚು